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## LIGHT RECEIPTS AT T WHARF.

SMALL QUANTITY OF HADDOCK  
SOLD BELOW SPLITTING  
PRICES.

Light receipts mark the closing day of the week at T wharf. Two of the southern netters are there, sch. Manomet with 1300 fresh mackerel and sch. Nettie with 400. Beside these are sch. Philip P. Manta, with a small fare of halibut and ground fish from the eastward, and sch. Good Luck from fresh drifting with a small fresh cod fare.

What few haddock there are in went for \$1 per hundred weight, which is less than splitting prices; large cod brought \$3.50 and halibut sold at 10 cents for white and 8 cents for gray.

### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Sch. Manomet, 1300 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Nettie, 400 large fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Philip P. Manta, 8500 cod, 8000 cusk, 1200 pollock, 12,000 halibut.  
Sch. Good Luck, 2500 haddock, 11,000 cod, 1200 hake.  
Haddock, \$1 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50; market cod, \$2.75; cusk, \$2; pollock, \$1.50; halibut, 10c for white and 8c for gray.

### AFTER NEWFOUNDLAND PLANTS

#### American Firms Seeking Fishing and Cold Storage Locations.

The St. John's, N. F., Chronicle has the following interesting bit of news regarding big firms from this and other ports looking for fish and cold storage locations on the Newfoundland Coast:

"Matters respecting American cold storage operations in this colony are now apparently starting with a rush. It appears that no fewer than three concerns have representatives here at the present moment.

"Cunningham & Thompson of Gloucester, who are the second largest fresh and salt fish dealers in New England, purchased largely on our South Coast last year, have agents on that seaboard at present looking for a location in home settlement within easy access for tributary localities, peopled by about 4000 humans, whose whole product this firm would buy and ship either in salt bulk or fresh and cold stored to the United States.

"Trefethen & Lord, of Portland, Me., who hold the special concession from the colony, which was ratified at the recent sessions of the legislature, have Mr. Lord, one of the partners, and Mr. Otlie, the latter representing a large syndicate of American capitalists with \$15,000,000 behind them, now at Bay of Islands, with Fisheries Minister Piccott, going into the whole question.

"Messrs. Steedman & Hawley, representing a New York concern, are also at Harbor Breton at present, arranging for the inauguration of a new fishery enterprise in that quarter the product to be exported being both salt and cold-stored fish.

"It is very evident from these facts that the new conditions now prevailing in America are causing the fishery interests of that country to look for new opportunities and that Newfoundland stands to prosper materially from this result."

### Portland Fish Notes.

Yesterday the steamer Dolphin, Capt. Rice, arrived at Portland, Thursday from a seining trip out Old Orchard way and she had on board a hundred barrels of shad. These fish have been coming along slowly and many fares have been landed. But nothing like the big trip of Thursday had been brought in. The shad of the Dolphin were placed in the Portland Cold Storage Co.

### Dogfish Plentiful in South Channel.

Capt. Edward Forbes of sch. Athena reports dogfish solid in South Channel. In one set these marauders of the fishing grounds walked off with six tubs of trawl.

### Gone to Labrador for Codfish.

Sch. Margie Smith, which sailed from here yesterday, has gone on a salt codfishing trip to the far away coast of Labrador.

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## FOUR ARRIVALS AT THIS PORT.

HERRING AND SHAD FLEET UN-  
ABLE TO GET ANY FISH  
YESTERDAY.

The herring and shad fleet did nothing yesterday but the skippers believe the fish will show again soon and are hopeful of more good catches.

The only arrivals here early this morning were sch. Harriett, with 40,000 pounds of fresh fish, from Boston, to split and sch. Pauline, from Georges handling, with a small trip of salt cod and 4000 pounds of halibut.

This morning two of the shore seiners made early hauls over in Ipswich Bay, steamer Bessie A. coming over with 40 barrels of herring and mixed in with them were 300 small mackerel, while steamer Herbert and Emma also came in with 25 barrels of herring and 1200 small mackerel. Today the weather is fine for fishing and more of the fleet are expected before dark.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita is down from Boston with 50,000 pounds of fresh fish for the splitters.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Harriett, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Pauline, Georges, handling, 15,000 lbs. salt cod, 400 lbs. halibut.

Steamer Bessie A., Ipswich Bay, 40 bbls. fresh herring, 300 small fresh mackerel.

Steamer Herbert and Emma, Ipswich Bay, 25 bbls. fresh herring, 1200 small fresh mackerel.

Sch. Regina, via Boston.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, via Boston.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, via Boston.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, via Boston, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.

### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Grace Otis, seining.

Sch. Nellie Dixon, seining.

Sch. Patrician, seining.

Sch. Corona, halibuting.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, salt drifting.

Sch. Eugenia, salt drifting.

Sch. Actor, shore.

Sch. Edith Silveira, haddocking.

Sch. Squanto, Boston.

Sch. Elmer E. Gray, shacking.

Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., shack-

ing.

Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, swordfishing.

Sch. Emerald, deck handling.

### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

#### Salt Fish.

Trawl bank codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.

Handline Georges codfish, large \$4.37½, medium \$4.37½, snappers \$3.

Salt "Drift" codfish, large, \$4.62½, medium \$4.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.12½, medium \$3.62½.

Haddock, \$2.00.

Pollock, \$1.75.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.75.

All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above prices.

#### Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.

Large cod, \$2.40 per cwt.; medium, \$1.85 per cwt.

Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.20 per cwt. for large and \$1.75 for mediums.

Cusk, large, \$1.75; mediums, \$1.25; Hake, \$1.

Dressed pollock, 90 cts., round, 80 cts.

Bank halibut, 7½c per lb., for white, and 5c for gray.

Fresh "drift" codfish, large, \$2.60 per cwt.; mediums, \$2.05.

Cape North cod, \$2.30 for large and \$1.75 for mediums.

### CREW HAD NARROW ESCAPE.

Topmast of Sch. Frances P. Mesquita

Fell Without Warning.

Several of the crew of sch. Frances P. Mesquita had a narrow escape from serious injury and perhaps death last Tuesday, when without the slightest warning the maintopmast snapped off and came crashing to the deck, landing fair at their feet.

The accident happened off Cape Sable during a heavy southeaster. There was quite a sea running, and the craft had just dipped into one when a cracking sound was heard and almost before one could look aloft, a 10-foot section of the topmast was lying at the feet of a little knot of the crew, who did not realize their danger until it was over.

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## LULL IN THE MACKEREL SITUATION.

### Small Fish Mixed With Herring in Ipswich Bay.

No mackerel arrivals are reported at Newport this morning and there were no seiners at Boston when the T wharf bell rang. At the latter place were two netters with 1700 fish between them.

It is drawing near the time when the mackerel seem to disappear for a spell and go to the bottom and then reappear later on Georges. This condition is what some of the skippers are now looking forward to, but they say if the fish will only go to Georges instead of to the Rips, that it will be all right. Around the Fourth of July is always a slack spell with the mackerel seiners and they are expecting the same condition of affairs this season.

### Mackerel in Boston and Ipswich Bay.

There are mackerel in Boston Bay and in Ipswich Bay also. For several days the traps up along Magnolia and farther to the westward have been taking a few small mackerel, and on Thursday steamer Florence and Mildred, which made two trips over in Ipswich bay and got herring hauls, found no less than 1500 small mackerel mixed in with the other fish.

This morning two of the herring fleet came over from Ipswich bay with herring catches, one having also 300 small mackerel and the other 1200 of these fine little fish, which go about a pound apiece. The shore fishermen think this a very encouraging sign and are looking forward to a good season. It is probable that other lots of small mackerel will arrive here in the herring boats before night.

### Sale of Cape Shore Salt Mackerel.

The fare of Cape Shore salt mack-

erel of sch. Valerie sold to Cunningham & Thompson Company at \$13 per barrel.

### Southern Netters Come Home.

A large number of the southern netters have arrived home here the past few days. The men say that they would have had a much longer season out that way and would have made a lot more money before coming home, had it not been for the unusual horde of sharks which fairly ate their nets up, and also for the big body of porgies which would strike the nets, fill them and take them to the bottom.

The men figure that sch. Massasoit, Capt. Frank Nolan, is high line on share and seem to think that this craft may also be high on stock although some are of the opinion that Capt. Brewton in the Tecumseh has a good claim to the latter honor.

### Mackerel at This Port.

Steamer Bessie A., 300 small fresh mackerel.

Steamer Herbert and Emma, 1200 small fresh mackerel.

### Netters at Boston.

Sch. Manomet, 1300 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Nettie, 400 large fresh mackerel.

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### Fitting Out for Swordfish.

About all the southern mackerel netters which have arrived home the past few days, will now turn their attention to swordfishing and the indications are that the "pulpit" fleet this years will be larger than ever.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Margaret sailed from Canso, N. S., Wednesday.

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## FISHERIES OF MAINE.

FURNISHES EMPLOYMENT DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY TO  
50,000 PEOPLE.

Fifty thousand people are dependent upon the fishing industry as carried on along the coast of Maine, says the Portland Press.

To be sure there are not that number of people actually engaged in the business, but the people who depend upon the business for their livelihood number fully that. Fishing is the one industry that is common to every point on the coast. No matter how large or small the settlement whether it is a full fledged city or a mere hamlet, there will be found fishing boats. Perhaps the place is so small that there is but one family and yet, the father and the son will have their fishing boats. From some of the places there are regular fleets that sail forth to take the food from the ocean.

Cape Porpoise is an extremely small settlement, yet it boasts one of the finest fishing fleets on the whole New England coast. From Portland there are many vessels that sail and so along the whole coast, past Boothbay, Rockland and Vinalhaven until one reaches the very border at Eastport and the neighboring places.

Then, too, there are hundreds of men who are engaged in the fishing business who never venture out in a large craft. They are the small lobstermen who have dories or hampton boats, the tenders of weirs and traps, the business of which requires no deep water sailing.

Hardy and generally contented are the fishermen of Maine. They have their hardships. Sometimes there will be a "spell" of weather lasting for days at a time when no fish can be caught. Then there will come a fair spell, the boats are out and when they return with their fares a big sum is sure to be netted. Lobstermen there are on the coast of Maine, who, working but nine months in the year, earn from \$1200 to \$2500. Fishermen who

alternately use small hampton motor-boats and traps will average a hundred dollars a month and better the year around. The majority of the men who follow fishing own their own craft and their homes; this, if nothing else, must show that it is a profitable industry.

Commissioner Donahue in speaking of the fisheries in general says in his last report:

"Up to a comparatively recent date, it was the general idea that the fisheries were inexhaustible, and laws regulating them were looked upon by the fishermen as restrictive and burdensome. At the present time, however, it has been shown beyond a doubt, that the fisheries, like every other industry, requires care and attention in order that it may be preserved. I believe that today, all interested acknowledge and believe that enforcement of laws is necessary and that it is the proper way to handle the situation."

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### AIN'T IT AWFUL!

#### Sea Serpent Delighting Light Keepers and Scaring Fishermen.

A Portsmouth dispatch says: Keepers at Boone Island light, off the York Beach coast, are giving much of their spare time watching a sea serpent. They claim that the sea reptile measures 200 feet, has a hump on his back and a head like a snake.

"The keepers watched him swim and say for a half a mile or more the hump sticks clear above the surface of the water. With his long sinewy tail he causes a wake and rush of water and turns over small fish which makes it easy for him to gobble up."

"Fishermen off the coast have also seen the ugly looking marine animal and will not venture to fish in that locality."

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## T WHARF DEALERS WELL SUPPLIED.

PLENTY OF GROUND FISH, BUT FEW MACKEREL THERE THIS MORNING.

T wharf has all the fish it needs this morning as far as groundfish are concerned. It could stand a good number of mackerel, but these are not forthcoming, one little catch of 500 fish being all there is in, so the dealers are working on their cold storage supply.

The money trip of the day is that which sch. Dorcas brought in. This little craft is from the Block and ground, and had 76 swordfish. They brought the fine price of 14 and 1-2 cents per pound and the stock will be a rouser. Capt. Dick Nunan and his crew are looking for a \$10 share and the chances are they will make it all right.

Three of the steam trawlers are in this morning, the old Spray leading her newer sisters with 63,000 pounds. All three have mostly haddock.

There is quite a bunch of hake on the market this morning, for three of the Nunan fleet are at the dock, each with from 45,000 to 60,000 pounds of these fish. Other crafts have small lots, so it looks like splitting for the bulk of them.

The market boats all have good trips, but as haddock is low, the stocks will not be large. Several of the fresh drifters are in. They continue to find codfish scarce. Sch. Mary T. Fallon of the Georges halibut fleet has 10,000 pounds of halibut, and quite a lot of shad.

Haddock sold at \$1.50 and \$2, with large cod from \$3 to \$4. Hake ranged from 80 cents to \$2.25, a few large bringing the latter figure. Cusk were \$1.75 and \$2, pollock sold for \$2 and fresh mackerel went at 10, 15 and 17 cents, according to size.

### Boston Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Sch. Hobo, 500 fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Arbitrator, 7000 haddock, 9000 cod, 2000 hake, 2000 pollock.  
Sch. Victor and Ethan, 58,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Galatea, 1000 haddock, 6000 cod.  
Sch. E. C. Hussy, 2000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 4000 pollock.  
Sch. Dorcas, 76 swordfish.  
Steamer Spray, 57,000 haddock, 2400 cod, 3500 cusk.  
Sch. Genesta, 25,000 haddock, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Delbina P. Domingoes, 20,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 1000 halibut.  
Sch. Jeanette, 20,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 2500 halibut.  
Sch. Elizabeth M. Nunan, 10,000 cod, 60,000 hake, 5000 cusk.  
Sch. Matchless, 500 haddock, 20,000 cod, 11,000 hake.  
Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 15,000 cod, 15,000 hake, 2000 cusk, 10,000 halibut.  
Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 1000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 45,000 hake, 20,000 cusk.  
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 1000 haddock, 9000 cod, 60,000 hake, 5000 cusk.  
Sch. Appomattox, 2000 haddock, 9500 cod.  
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 1000 haddock, 10,000 cod.  
Sch. Juniata, 1000 haddock, 15,000 cod.  
Sch. Laura Enos, 500 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 pollock.  
Sch. Olivia Sears, 1000 haddock, 1100 cod, 6500 pollock.  
Sch. Eva Avina, 1000 haddock, 3000 cod, 9000 pollock.  
Steamer Crest, 44,000 haddock, 3000 cod.  
Steamer Ripple, 46,000 haddock, 2800 cod.  
Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$4; market cod, \$2 to \$3; hake, 80 cts. to \$2.25; cusk, \$1.75 to \$2; pollock, \$2; fresh mackerel, 17, 15 and 10 cts. each, according to size; swordfish, 14 and 14 1-2 cts. per lb.

### Swordfish at Newport.

The following swordfish fares are at Newport today:  
Sch. Alice, 12 fish.  
Sch. Clara T., 4 fish.  
Sch. Maud Gertrude, 6 fish.  
Sch. Lewis C. Totman, 12 fish.

## LONG LIST OF FISH ARRIVALS.

SMALL SEINERS STILL GETTING SHAD AND BLUEBACKS IN IPSWICH BAY.

Two more of the salt and fresh cod shackers are home this morning, schs. Morning Star and Lillian, the former with 75,000 pounds each of fresh and salt fish, while the latter has 40,000 pounds of salt cod and 100,000 pounds of fresh fish, half of the latter being hake. They do not bring a very encouraging report from the fleet, which, as has before been reported, has been bothered greatly for bait and losing a great deal of fishing time. Some of them were not able to get herring and had to go to St. Pierre along with some of the salt bankers and there wait for the coming of caplin.

Three of the salt drifters, schs. Etta Mildred, Winnifred and Corsair, are home with fair catches and sch. Lillian is up from down east with her usual load of fish for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company.

Three of the shore mackerel dragging sloops brought in 130 large mackerel, which they caught off here last night.

The gasoline and sailing fleet of little seiners came Saturday afternoon and again Sunday in a regular procession. They had mostly bluebacks, which went mostly for oil and lobster bait. Some of them had a few barrels of shad and these went to the fresh fish market. About all of them had some small mackerel, which they caught mixed in with the shad and bluebacks and these they sold at 4 cents per fish. Catches of the latter ranged from 200 to 900 per boat and yesterday sch. Reliance, which found them schooling alone about five miles off here, made a haul of over 1000 in one school. This fleet has not struck any of the big herring for several days, but the skippers are hoping they will show up again soon.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Morning Star, Cape North, shacking, 75,000 lbs. fresh fish, 75,000 lbs. salt cod, 2000 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Lillian, Cape North, shacking, 100,000 lbs. fresh fish, 40,000 lbs. salt cod, 2000 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Etta Mildred, Georges, drifting, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Winnifred, Georges, drifting, 30,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Corsair, Georges, drifting, 28,000 lbs. salt cod.  
Sch. Lillian, Matineus, Me., 800 qtls. cured fish.  
Sch. Marguerite Haskins, seining.  
Steamer Quartette, shore, 30 bbls. fresh shad, 20 bbls. bluebacks, 919 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Joppaite, shore, 100 bbls. bluebacks, 800 small fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Charles A. Dyer, shore, 100 bbls. bluebacks, 626 small fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Independence II, shore, 75 bbls. bluebacks, 350 small fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Reliance, shore, 100 bbls. bluebacks, 6 bbls. shad, 250 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Unknown, shore, 40 bbls. bluebacks, 100 small fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Florence and Mildred, shore, 75 bbls. bluebacks, 2 bbls. shad, 250 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Mystery, shore, 72 bbls. bluebacks, 5 bbls. shad.  
Sch. Reliance, shore, 1046 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Joppaite, shore, 20 bbls. bluebacks, 3 bbls. shad, 100 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Yankee, shore, 40 bbls. shad, 20 bbls. bluebacks.  
Steamer Herbert and Emma, shore, 34 bbls. bluebacks, 1 bbl. shad, 503 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Pantoset, 14 bbls. bluebacks.  
Steamer Pet, shore, 20 bbls. shad, 50 bbls. bluebacks, 200 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Bessie A., shore, 65 bbls. bluebacks, 250 small fresh mackerel.  
Sch. Mary Emerson, shore, 25 bbls. shad.  
Steamer Unknown, shore, 60 bbls. bluebacks.  
Steamer Independence, shore, 20 bbls. bluebacks.  
Sloop Edith L., shore netting, 50 large fresh mackerel.  
Sloop Murphy Girls, shore, netting, 30 large fresh mackerel.

Sloop Helena, shore, netting, 50 large fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Bryda F., shore, 50 bbls. bluebacks, 394 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Quoddy, shore, 32 bbls. bluebacks, 244 small fresh mackerel.  
Steamer Independence, shore, 30 bbls. shad.  
Sch. Juno, Georges, halibuting, 14,000 lbs. halibut, 30,000 lbs. salt and fresh fish.

### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Lafayette, swordfishing.  
Sch. Valentinna, swordfishing.  
Sch. Stiletto, seining.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, haddocking.  
Sch. Harriett, haddocking.  
Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, haddocking.  
Sch. William H. Rider, Georges, drifting.  
Sch. Miranda, dory handlining.  
Sch. W. H. Moody, Georges, handlining.

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### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

#### Salt Fish.

Salt Cape Shore mackerel \$13 per bbl.  
Trawl bank codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.  
Handline Georges codfish, large \$4.87½, medium \$4.37½, snappers \$3.  
Salt "Drift" codfish, large, \$4.62½, medium \$4.25.  
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.12½, medium \$3.62½.  
Pollock, \$1.75.  
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.  
Hake, \$1.75.  
Eastern shack trip cod, \$4.12½ for large and \$3.62½ for medium.  
All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above prices.

#### Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.  
Large cod, \$2.40 per cwt.; medium, \$1.85 per cwt.  
Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.20 per cwt. for large and \$1.75 for mediums.  
Cusk, large, \$1.75; mediums, \$1.25; hake, \$1.  
Dressed pollock, 90 cts., round, 80 cts.  
Bank halibut, 10c per lb., for white, and 8c for gray.  
Fresh "drift" codfish, large, \$2.60 per cwt.; mediums, \$2.05.  
Cape North cod, \$2.20 for large and \$1.75 for mediums.  
Fresh large mackerel 15c and 17c each; small, 4c each.

### SALMON IN THE HARBOR.

Twenty-one Pound Specimen Taken in Net Off Black Bess.

An unusual catch was made by Thomas Douglass of East Gloucester, a shore fisherman, off Black Bess rock, Eastern Point, Saturday morning. He captured in his nets a beautiful specimen of salmon, which tipped the scales at 21 pounds. The fish was sold at the Springham market and retailed at 40 cents a pound.

It has been some time since a salmon has been caught in the harbor inside the breakwater and especially of such fine weight.

### Beating the Pacific Fishermen.

"The Maritime Fish Corporation is shipping fish to Vancouver, and we expect to be selling fish in Prince Rupert before very long," said A. H. Brittain of Montreal, business manager of the big fish company, recently.

"Atlantic fish are superior to the Pacific product, and we expect to be marketing millions of pounds right in British Columbia, notwithstanding the fact that Pacific fish are cheaper than the Atlantic article. We are just beginning to realize the importance of the market for fish in western Canada."

"The Maritime Provinces have tremendous possibilities, and the developments in the fishing industry in the next few years will be a surprise to the people of Canada."

Mr. Brittain will inspect the properties of his company in Nova Scotia.—St. John Standard.

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### Picked Up Seine.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, which arrived at T wharf this morning, had on board a seine which her crew picked up yesterday 10 miles northeast of Thatcher's Island.

### Halibut Fare Sold.

The fare of halibut of sch. Juno sold to the New England Fish Company this morning at 10 cents per pound for white and 8 cents for gray.

## ACRES OF TINKER MACKEREL

Schools Too Large to Be

Taken by Small Seines.

Good Trip of Small Fish Secured Off

Eastern Point.

Is it going to be a "tinker" year? It certainly looks so at present, for with the small mackerel being taken in Ipswich bay and schooling also in Boston bay, comes the report of acres and acres of these small fish out to the southward.

The Times correspondent at Newport, R. I., this morning wires the following:

"Small boats report acres of small mackerel weighing half a pound or better. Looks like a great year for small boats with seines. The schools at present, however, are too large for small seines, but big vessels would do well."

The exact location of the fish is not given, but as the report was brought in to Newport by the little swordfishermen, it is presumed they have seen them on the ground around Block Island and No Man's Land.

### Dull to the Southward.

It has been dull in the mackerel line to the southward for the past few days, and the latest report is that the fleet, which has been operating off the South Shoal lightship, finding that the large fish are not showing there, have gone to Georges where they are scheduled to appear next if the opinions and ideas of the seining skippers are correct.

The fish, which were in good body off the lightship for some time, appear to have become very wild and then got mixed up with porgies so that it was next to impossible to do anything with them. Of late the skippers say there is every indication that the fish have left there and many think they have gone to bottom for a while, as seems to be their custom year after year out in that vicinity.

### Gasoliners Getting Mackerel.

The little gasoline seiners which have been fishing off here and in Ipswich bay, are still getting small mackerel mixed in with their catches of bluebacks and shad and Saturday afternoon and yesterday they brought in fully 5000 or 6000 of them in count, selling at 4 cents per fish. They go about 200 count to the ice barrel.

Capt. John Nelson of sch. Reliance landed 1043 of these small mackerel at the Fort yesterday. He reports getting the fish, which were schooling, about five miles off Eastern Point. The captain says there appeared to be some body to the fish and he saw several schools, but was unable to stop but the one school he brought in. Today, in all probability, the most of the small fleet will go off where Capt. Nelson saw the fish and try for catches.

The draggers are getting a few fish off here. Three of the fleet arrived here yesterday, having from 30 to 50 large fish each in count.

### Mackerel Landings to Date.

The fresh mackerel fleet to date, has landed 25,879 barrels, against 15,384 barrels at this time last season, 29,301 barrels in 1909, 26,321 barrels in 1908, 29,299 barrels in 1907 and 22,120 barrels in 1906, to date.

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### Salt Shack Cod Goes Up.

Eastern salt shack trip codfish took a raise this morning when the fare of sch. Lillian sold to William H. Jordan & Company. There are no changes in the prices of the fresh fish, but the salt cod brought \$4.12 1-2 per hundred weight for large and \$3.62 1-2 for mediums, these figures being 12 1-2 cents higher on both large and mediums than last sales.

The fare of sch. Morning Star, also in this morning from the same line of fishing, sold to the Gloucester Salt Fish Company also at \$4.12 1-2 and \$3.62 1-2 for the salt cod and no changes on the fresh fish.

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## LANDED 79 SWORDFISH.

CREW OF SCH. DORCAS WILL  
SHARE ABOUT \$200 FOR TWO  
WEEKS' WORK.

The little auxiliary sch. Dorcas, Capt. Richard Nunan, of Cape Porpoise, Me., is at T wharf this morning with 76 swordfish, which means that every man of the crew will be good for a check in the vicinity of \$200 each for their two weeks' work out around Block Island. The fare represents lots of hard work and also several exciting incidents marked the taking of some of the big fish.

One fish, after he had been hit, turned on the dory containing George Nunan and Thomas O'Rourke, putting his sword right through it and the shock hurled both men into the water. Fortunately they were handy to the vessel and were quickly hauled out by Capt. Nunan and others of the crew.

The biggest fish of the trip was struck by Engineer Louis Griffin. It weighed 500 pounds dressed and Griffin had a long tussle with him before he got him on deck.

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### Fulton Market Notes.

It was impossible to coax buyers to take fish last week, says the Fishing Gazette. There was plenty of stock and in most cases prices were low, still it was hard to find anyone to take it away, even at alluring prices.

Cod—Both steak and market cod were high in price up to Thursday, the former bringing 8 to 10 cents and the latter 5 to 6 cents. Friday steak cod sold at 5 cents and market fish at 3 cents.

There was no change in prices of eels.

Haddock brought 4 to 5 cents all the week until Friday, when it sold at 3 cents.

Hake was a trifle higher in price than haddock until Friday, when it was sold at the same price. Pollock brought the same price as hake.

Halibut—Western white fish was cheap this week, being quoted at 5½ to 7 cents until Friday, when it was one cent higher than the top figure of the earlier part of the week. There was plenty of fine eastern halibut to be had at 8 to 10 cents per pound until Friday when the market was bare.

### Green Fish Bring High Price.

The sum of \$7 (talqual) is being paid for green fish on the West Coast by American buyers and by some local people who are finding it necessary to give the same figure in order to be able to get any of the catch from the fishermen. At this price there is big money in it for those who catch the fish, and it is to be hoped that all the dealers who are handling it are securing enough to justify this outlay. With the present shortage of fish generally and the backward season militating against more generous returns in the near future it looks as if the present year would see the highest prices ever obtained for fish in this colony and this is a consummation that the fishermen will welcome very heartily.—St. John's, N. F., Chronicle.

### French Vessels Report Fishing Poor on Quéro.

A cable received at North Sydney, C. B., from Pierre, Miquelon, by French Consul Lacroix states that fishing on Quéro Banks during the past week has been very poor. At St. Peter's Bank, however, the catch was slightly better, while at the Grand Banks the fleet is faring with success. The French vessels hail with an average catch of one thousand quintals, and as the price at St. Pierre is from \$4.25 to \$4.50 per quintal, the fishermen will fare off pretty well. Caplin are plentiful at St. Pierre, but as bad weather prevailed for several days, the dories could not reach shore.

### Built Vessel in Quick Time.

The new schooner, being built for Capt. Charles Ernst by J. Ernst & Son at LaHaye, N. S., for the fishing business was launched on Saturday. Builder Burgoyne is making a record for himself and men, as the keel of this craft was only laid April 27.

### Swordfish at New Bedford.

At New Bedford yesterday morning the small boats landed 150 swordfish, which were shipped to the Boston market.

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## BUCKED THE ICE OF BELLE ISLE STRAITS

The Hard Trip Up North of the S.  
P. Willard, Capt. Carl O. Adams.

While the Newfoundland and Nova Scotia papers have been telling how the straits of Belle Isle are so packed with ice as to be impassable and that a steamer arriving at Quebec on June 16 had the distinction of being the first craft through there this season, they evidently were unaware that a trim Gloucester fishing vessel had successfully negotiated that frozen passage almost a month before, meeting a heavy gale right in the middle of the narrow passage where the tossing, churning ice floes threatened destruction to craft and all on board.

The craft which bucked her way through so long ahead of even the steamers was sch. S. P. Willard, Capt. Carl O. Adams, of this port, one of the flitted halibut fleet. Capt. Adams has been many seasons to the northern fishing grounds, and also to Greenland and Iceland so the ice fields of the straits were no barrier to him and the Willard when they started to go through.

Capt. Adams, since leaving here, has kept in letter communication with the Cunningham & Thompson Company, owners of the vessel and he writes most interestingly of the ice conditions as well as the details of the desperate, early passage through the straits in the teeth of a fierce gale.

One of his letters was dated May 12 at the Magdalen Islands and the next one was written May 21, at Niger Sound, Labrador. In it Capt. Adams tells of his trip through the straits. He says:

"When we left the Magdalens I figured it would be a long while before I would have a chance to write again, but circumstances alter cases. In coming through the straits of Belle Isle night before last we ran in among a lot of ice. It was blowing a smart breeze from the westward and when about in the middle of the strait we hove to about 2 o'clock in the morning. When daylight did come we could see nothing but a big field of ice to leeward, and all the while it kept breezing up.

"We stood it as long as we could and then took in mainsail, jib and jumbo and hove to under the foresail. By noon it was blowing a gale and we ran in toward the Labrador shore, where the ice wasn't quite so heavy, and got through. When we got on the other side of the ice field I

thought we were all clear, so we kept on running before it until three in the afternoon when we again made ice, a plenty, and when a gale is going and you are running you don't want to meet much ice. At different times we tried laying to but it was no use for the ice was heavy and it was very rough indeed.

"I did not know exactly what to do at first. I figured our best show was to run her in close under the land and try and get in somewhere so we wouldn't be stove to pieces. Anyway we run her close in as we dared and about 6 o'clock we rounded Camp Island into one of the finest harbors I have ever been into.

"Of course, you can see, it was hard to tell what would have happened if we hadn't been able to made in somewhere and had to stay out there and take it. It was as bad a scrape as I have ever been in, but anyhow the vessel never got a scratch. It continued to blow and kept it up all night and today, with the glass awful low.

"What ice we saw yesterday extended from Cape Norman right across to Belle Isle and I do not know how far to the eastward. We have been up to Anticosti, spoke the Grayling and she had struck no fish. Next day it came on the northeaster so we run her for the straits and here we are."

Capt. Adams' next letter was dated June 1, at St. Anthony, Labrador, and in it he said:

"When I wrote you from Niger Sound I did not know the ice was so plentiful as we have since found it. We went out from there, expecting to go right out to the fishing ground. We got about 35 miles off Belle Isle and there found nothing but a solid field of ice. We sailed along that inner edge of it, to the northward and I could not find an opening anywhere. We did give it a try but it was no use. We got in between two fields and had a hard job to get out of it and get back to this place.

"I am in hopes to get through somewhere. If the wind would keep on from the westward I think the ice wall would clear itself away, at any rate that's what the people here think. They also say this has been the hardest winter for many years. We intend leaving here tomorrow and work south toward Funk Island and get around that way. Nobody knows how far this ice wall extends to the northward but I think it is a solid mass for 200 miles."

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## MACKEREL ARE NOW COMING SLOWLY

Fleet of 28 Sail Awaiting Their Appearance at Round Shoal.

### Mackerel are now coming in slowly.

Yesterday afternoon sch. Victor, Capt. John W. McFarland, showed up at T wharf, Boston, with 9000 fresh ones, which he sold at the fine price of 17 cents for the large and 12 cents for mediums. The captain reported getting his fish at the South Shoal.

Two of the sailing fleet, schs. Effie M. Prior and Evelyn M. Thompson, are at this port this morning from the southward, with no mackerel. The Thompson brings three swordfish.

Capt. Thompson reports leaving 28 sail of the fleet at the Round Shoal, so it looks though some of them are expecting the fish to show on the Rips before long.

The little shore sciners operating off here did not strike the mackerel yesterday, steamer Jeffery, which brought in 250 small ones, being the only one to score.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins Stocked \$3915

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Jerry E. Cook, stocked \$3915 as the result of her recent mackerel trip to the

southward, the crew sharing \$92.20.

### Mackerel at European Points.

Judging from all accounts, some very fine mackerel is being cured at European points. Not much is being sent here as yet, however, on account of the weather here. News from Norway reports the catch for the week ending June 7 at eleven places to aggregate 982,200 fish. Sales were at from 1½ to 2c. each. Some were cured for the American market. At one place 250 barrels were cured.

Dingle, Ireland, report, dated June 10, says there were about 30,000 mackerel landed there last week; of these about 10,000 were cured. The cured fish count about 360 to the packed barrel.

Irish mackerel landed on the Irish coast during May, 1911, amounted to 21,700 barrels, of the value of \$42,000; same month in 1910, 25,400 barrels, value \$55,500. These figures include the mackerel sold for consumption fresh. The total shipments of autumn mackerel up to June 17 were 45,610 barrels. Total shipments of spring mackerel to date were 502 barrels.—New York Fishing Gazette.

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## POLLOCK AND CODFISH HIGH.

LITTLE DEMAND FOR OTHER  
GROUND FISH AT T WHARF  
TODAY.

T wharf dealers are paying well for pollock and codfish today. Other ground fish are a drug on the market. Haddock are very dull and as the 10 trips in since last report have brought mostly these fish, there are no large stocks in sight today.

Yesterday afternoon, sch. Victor arrived from the South Shoal grounds with 9000 fresh mackerel, which sold at the fine price of 17 cents each, the mediums in the lot going for 12 cents each.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen with 71,000 pounds, mostly haddock and hake, has the largest fare in the dock. A few haddock sold at \$1.75 and \$2, while large cod climbed to \$5 and \$5.50. Pollock soared to \$3.60 and \$3.75, hake went slow, a few large ones bringing \$1.25 to \$2. A small lot of shoal halibut sold for 10 cents per pound.

### Boston Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Sch. Leo, 22,000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 25,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 35,000 hake, 2000 cusk, 300 pollock.  
Sch. Washakie, 42,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 15,000 haddock, 13,000 cod.  
Sch. Rose Cabral, 6000 haddock, 7500 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Viking, 1000 haddock, 8000 cod.  
Sch. Emily Sears, 1000 haddock, 4000 cod, 5000 pollock.  
Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, 30,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 1600 halibut.  
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 4000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 10,000 hake.  
Sch. Victor.  
Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 35,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Haddock, \$1.75 to \$2 per cwt.; large cod, \$5 to \$5.50; market cod, \$2 to \$4; hake, \$1.25 to \$2; pollock, \$3.60 to \$3.75; halibut, 10 cts. per lb.; fresh mackerel, 17 cts. for large and 12 cts. for mediums.

### Will Take Command of New Craft.

Capt. Albert Larkin of sch. Valerie will remain ashore for a week or 10 days, until his new craft, now almost ready for launching at the yard of Tarr & James at Essex, is put into the water. He will then attend to the rigging and ballasting of the new craft and fit her right away for fresh and salt shacking.

Capt. George Nelson will now command sch. Valerie in the fresh and salt shack fishery.

### Captured 300 Pound Halibut on Hand Line.

A. D'Entremont, one of the crew of sch. Jeanette was handling from the side of the vessel, off Sankaty head one day the last of the week, when he felt an extra strong bite. He hauled up his line and discovered a 300-pound halibut on the end. The fish was struggling, but D'Entremont stunned it with a belaying pin and so got it aboard. He will be several dollars the richer for his catch.

### Fortune Bay Bankers Doing Well.

According to reports at St. John's, N. F., all the Fortune Bay bankers have gone on their second trips. On their last voyage the catches of each banker for four dories ranged from 700 to 1100 quintals. There is hardly any fish being taken with trawls, whills, there is a great scarcity of caplin, for which a number of the bankers are now looking.

### Germany Has Fisheries Schools.

Germany has 20 fishery schools, ten on the Baltic Sea and ten on the North Sea Coast. The number of pupils vary from 11 to 80 and the total attendance at present is 481. Wireless telegraphy and its use in the fishery industry is featured. Other subjects taught are the use of motors in fishing boats, the use of the compasses, charts and navigation.

### To Develop Korean Fisheries.

A Japanese fisheries company has been organized to develop the fisheries of Korea. Their specialty is Chusan. The capital is \$1,000,000. They have established two hundred fishing stations besides opening a number of fish markets. Refrigerating steamers will be employed, and everything else necessary to make a success of the enterprise.